

Inspection of Markets in the Trivandrum Division.

182. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum cum Neāuvangal*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Dewan Peishkar, Trivandrum, inspected all the important markets in his Division in the year 1101; and

(b) if so, whether they will furnish a statement mentioning the substance of his remarks in regard to each of them?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (a) The Dewan Peishkar, Trivandrum, inspected 11 out of the 53 public markets and 2 out of the 135 private markets in his Division during the year 1101.

(b) The statement* required is laid on the table.

Committee on Royal Trees.

183. **MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN** (*Muvattupuzha cum Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the number of years since the Committee on Royal Trees was constituted; and

(b) whether they will direct the convener of the committee to call together a meeting of the committee and submit its report at a very early date?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (a) The committee was appointed in 1098 M. E.

(b) This is not necessary as the report of the committee as adopted at the final meeting of the members has now been received signed by all the members except Mr. Tariatu Kunjtomman.

Particulars re President of the Trivandrum Municipal Council.

184. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether the present President of the Trivandrum Municipal Council is a dealer in precious stones and jewels and whether the income derived by him from that source is taken into account in assessing his professional tax due to the Municipality?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The Government have no information.

Graduates in the Registration Department.

185. **MR. G. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the number of graduate clerks in the Registration Department and the number among them who have passed the Sub-Registrar's Test;

(b) the period of service put in by these clerks and their present pay;

(c) whether any fresh graduates have been appointed over them as Sub-Registrars; and

(d) if so, the principle on which these appointments were made?

* *Vide* Appendix VII—page 864.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (a) 25. Three of these have passed the Registration Test, Higher.

(b) A statement* containing the particulars is laid on the table.

(c) The answer is in the negative.

(d) In view of the answer to part (c), this question does not arise.

Work done by Mr. Marini.

186. **MR. G. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) what work Mr. Marini is deputed to do; and

(b) the nature of the work turned out by him during the period of his service here?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (a) Mr. Marini serves the State in two capacities, one as Advisor to Government on railway matters and the other as State Railway Engineer. In the former capacity, he advises the Government on all questions relating to railway administration and policy, especially in all transactions and negotiations between the Travancore Government and the South Indian Railway Company and the Government of India. In his latter capacity, he has to carry out all the railway surveys in the State that are sanctioned from time to time and to prepare the project plans and estimates and also to direct the construction of all railway extensions which is directly undertaken by the State.

(b) Broad outlines of the nature of Mr. Marini's work are stated above. He has already finished the field work of the survey of the Quilon-Ernakulam railway line which was started before his appointment as Railway Engineer, and also the Chackay-Tambanur extension of the Quilon-Trivandrum line. The working drawings and estimate for the latter extension have been prepared by him. A reconnaissance survey of the coast line from Mavelikara to Alleppey and Cochin, also started by him, is in progress.

* *Vide* Appendix VIII—page 865.